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Decentralising Bengaluru Urban -The Regional Planning way

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Abstract:

The concept of region as a method of classification has evolved though two distinct phases reflecting the economic advance from a simple agrarian economy to a complex industrial system. Regions have been classified in different ways. The first phase was dominated by the concept of formal region defined according to homogeneity, while the second phase saw the development of functional region defined on the basis of functional coherence. We the planners have contradicted our ideologies of maintaining a spread effect of growing cities/poles that would 'pull up' the rural extremities; and at the same time try our best to retain the rural ways of life and activities in order to retreat back to our early styles of living. Bengaluru has been inhabited beyond its carrying capacity and planning its decentralization activities to peripheries is no doubt ambitious but raises questions like evacuation issues of the already settled communities.

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